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### **REMARKS**

The present response is intended to be fully responsive to all points of objection and/or rejection raised by the Examiner and is believed to place the application in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

Applicants assert that the present invention is new, non-obvious and useful. Prompt consideration and allowance of the claims is respectfully requested.

## **Status of Claims**

Claims 1-5, 7-12, 14-19, 21, 22, 24, 25, 27-29, 31-33, 35, 37-40, and 43-45 remain pending in the application.

Claims 1-5, 7-12, 14-19, 21, 22, 24, 25, 27-29, 31-33, 35, 36, 40 and 42 have been rejected.

Claims 6, 13, 20, 26, 30, 34, 37-39, 42 and 43 have been objected to.

Claims 1, 8, 15, 22, 24, 28, 32, 37, 38, 39, 40, and 43 have been amended in this submission. Applicants respectfully assert that the amendments to the claims add no new matter.

Claims 6, 13, 20, 26, 30, 34, 36, and 42 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. In making this cancellation without prejudice, Applicants reserve all rights in these claims to file divisional and/or continuation patent applications.

Claims **44** and **45** have been newly added in this submission. Applicants respectfully assert that the amendments to the claims add no new matter.

### Allowable Subject Matter

In the Office Action, the Examiner stated that claims 6, 13, 20, 26, 30, 34, 37-39 and 43 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if

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rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Applicants have amended the independent claims to be allowable by incorporating the subject matter of allowable claims and/or have amended allowable dependent claims to incorporate the limitations of independent claims. Accordingly, all claims are presently allowable.

## **Claim Objections**

In the Office Action, the Examiner objected to claim 42 under 37 CFR 1.75(c) as being of improper dependent form for failing to further limit the subject matter of a previous claim. Claim 42 has been cancelled.

#### **CLAIM REJECTIONS**

# 35 U.S.C. § 102 Rejections

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1-5, 7-12, 14-19, 21, 22, 24, 25, 27-29, 31-33, 35, 36, 40 and 42 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e), as being anticipated by Wang et al. (US Patent No. 7,260,370). In light of the present amendments, the rejection is moot.

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In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, the pending claims are deemed to be allowable. Their favorable reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner have any question or comment as to the form, content or entry of this Amendment, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number below. Similarly, if there are any further issues yet to be resolved to advance the prosecution of this application to issue, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned counsel.

Please charge any fees associated with this paper to deposit account No. 50-3355.

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